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SUBJECT: JUMBE TO VISIT CHINA, NORTH KOREA

1. TANZANIAN FIRST VICE PRESIDENT AND ZANZIBAR REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL CHAIRMAN ABOUD JUMBE HAS PICKED UP LONG-STANDING INVITATIONS FOR STATE VISITS TO PRC AND DPRK AND WILL TRAVEL TO PEKING AND PYONGYANG IN DECEMBER. HE IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE TANZANIA AROUND DECEMBER 6 AND TO RETURN BY DECEMBER 20.

2. VISIT HAS NOT YET BEEN ANNOUNCED. ENTOURAGE WILL INCLUDE JUMBE'S THIRD AND YOUNGEST WIFE, TWO MEMBERS OF REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL AND REPRESENTATIVES OF ZANZIBAR'S DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND AGRICULTURE. SEVERAL MAINLAND TANZANIANS WILL BE INCLUDED BUT THEIR NAMES AS WELL AS THOSE OF ZANZIBARIS NOT YET AVAILABLE.

3. VISIT TO CHINA HAS BEEN DESCRIBED TO US AS CEREMONIAL AND
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ROUTINE. JUMBE WILL BE REPRESENTING ALL TANZANIA BUT ZANZIBAR

CONSIDERATIONS MAY CREEP IN DURING PRC VISIT AS ZANZIBAR HAS AN INTEREST IN REVIVING SAGGING CHINESE COMMITMENT TO ITS DEVELOPMENT. DURING PRC VICE PREMIER SUN CHIEN'S VISIT HERE IN JULY 1975 ZANZIBAR RAISED SEVERAL NEW PROJECTS - INCLUDING CEMENT AND TRACTOR ASSEMBLY PLANTS - BUT CHINESE WERE UNENTHUSIASTIC. PRC, HOWEVER, IS FACING STIFFER COMPETITION FROM INDIA FOR PREEMINENCE AND MIGHT FEEL OBLIGED TO ADD SOMETHING TO LONG LIST OF THINGS IT HAS ALREADY DONE FOR ZANZIBAR.

4. THERE NOT LIKELY TO BE ANY SPECIAL ZANZIBAR INTEREST IN DPRK VENTURE. THERE WAS BRIEF ASSOCIATION WITH NORTH KOREA IN 1975 AND EARLY 1976 WHEN NORTH KOREANS HELPED ESTABLISH AFRO-SHIRAZI PARTY'S POLITICAL EDUCATION CENTER BUT NORTH KOREAN TECHNICIANS HAVE LEFT AND DPRK INFLUENCE IS MINIMAL.
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